Hereford Inlet Light Station
Anglesea North Wildwood, NJ

Closed 1962, and Derelict Northwest View, 1981

Preserved and Restored Northwest View, 2006

These two pictures show the changes that had been made to the Hereford Inlet Lighthouse with the help of Steve Murray and the Friends of Hereford Inlet.
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JUNE 16TH MEETING
Riverview Beach Park
48 North Broadway
Pennsville, NJ 08070

Please see page 3
(& the NJLHS website)
for details, directions, and a map.

Next Meeting: September 15th - Surf City, LBI

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Hello! I finally got to see my first West Coast lighthouse. I was in Seattle visiting a friend, and we headed out to Discovery Park to see the West Point Lighthouse. Unfortunately, no one is allowed inside; but it was a pretty day and the views of Puget Sound were amazing. While driving down the coast of Olympic National Park, we also learned about the lighthouse out on Destruction Island. Next time I’m out there, I need to make time to see that lighthouse’s first order Fresnel lens on display at the Westport Maritime Museum!

There are lots of lighthouse events happening this summer, including some special ones on August 7th for National Lighthouse Day! And if you have extra time on your hands, grab a friend and volunteer at an Outreach event (page 5). Also - don’t forget to prepare for the Lighthouse Challenge of New Jersey - October 20-21. First timers or old pros - it’s always a good time!

SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

FACEBOOK
Current # of Likes - 1058
www.facebook.com/njlhs

INSTAGRAM
Current # Followers - 97
@njlhs

ADDRESS CHANGE
To change your address please go to:
http://www.njlhs.org/join/AddrCng.pdf
download the form and mail to:
NJLHS Membership
631B Yale Way, Monroe Township, NJ 08831
The meeting will be in Pennsville under the tent at Riverview Beach Park. (We visited there in 2011 & 2012.) Finns Point Lighthouse/Refuge Shop will only be open for climbing before the meeting from about 9:30 - 11:15. It is normally just open the 3rd Sunday each month from April to Oct.

**AGENDA/PROGRAM**

09:30 - 11:15 AM  Finn's Point LH is open for climbing and visiting the Refuge Shop
10:30 - 11:15 AM  Membership sign in and hospitality at Riverview Beach Park
11:30 - 12:15 PM  General Membership Meeting
12:30 - 1:15 PM  Lunch - BRING YOUR OWN
1:15 - 3:00 PM  Activities + Program TBA

**Meeting Location:** Riverview Beach Park  
48 North Broadway  
Pennsville, NJ 08070

**DIRECTIONS TO RIVERVERVIEW BEACH PARK**

**From the North:**
1. A - Taking the NJ TPK to the end, pay toll and take exit 1, last exit before toll, following signs for Route 49 East, Pennsville/Salem.
2. B - Taking 295 to the end, keeping to the right, take exit 1, last exit before toll, following signs for Route 49 East, Pennsville/Salem
3. 2 - Continue East on Route 49 for about 2 1/4 miles. Go past the park and make the first right onto West Pittsfield St. Laughrey Funeral home will be on your right just before the turn.
4. 3 - Go all the way to the end where the parking lot will be on your right. Look for the tent.

**From the Northern Shore area:**
Pickup Route 195 West to NJ TPK or 295 and follow directions above.

**From the Southern Shore area:**
1. 1 - Pickup the GSP and take exit 25. At the end of the ramp, if going south, make a right onto Roosevelt Blvd. If going north, make a left turn onto Roosevelt Blvd.
2. 2 - Continue on Roosevelt Blvd for about 1/2 mile merging onto Tuckahoe Rd, Route 631.
3. 3 - Go about 5 miles then merge with Route 50 north.
4. 4 - Go another 2 miles into the town of Tuckahoe and look to make a left turn onto Route 49 West. It is well marked.
5. 5 - Continue on Route 49 for about 48 miles to Pennsville. When entering town, the road will bear right. West Pittsfield St is just past the curve on your left. Laughrey funeral home will be on your far left corner.
6. 6 - Go all the way to the end where the parking lot will be on your right. Look for the tent.

**DIRECTIONS TO FINN’S POINT FROM PENNsville**

1. A - When going to the lighthouse before the meeting, and coming from the north, proceed past Riverview Park for about another mile. Follow 2 - 4 below.

2. B - If going after the meeting, to just view the LH, as you exit the park (W. Pittsfield St) make a right onto Rt 49, go about a mile. Follow 2 - 4 below.
3. 2 - Go to the third traffic light, just past a WAWA on your left. This is Fort Mott Rd. Make a Right.
4. 3 - Go about another 1 1/2 miles to a fork in the road. Bear left at the fork. This is Old Fort Mott Road.
5. 4 - The lighthouse will be right in front of you.

**DIRECTIONS TO FINN’S POINT COMING UP ROUTE 49**

1. A - At about mile post 8 you will cross over the Salem River and enter Pennsville Township.
2. B - In just under 2 miles from here you will see a sign for 'Supawna Meadows' on your right.
3. 2 - Just after the sign, Lighthouse Road will be on your left.
4. 3 - Turn left onto Lighthouse Road and follow it to the Light, which will be on your left.

Visit: WWW.NJLHS.ORG for an interactive map
A MESSAGE FROM MEMBERSHIP

Bob and Linda Gleason - Membership Co-Chairs

Another Great Photo Contest: We had a great meeting at Edison VFW Post 3117 in Edison, NJ. The member photographs are always beautiful and so inspirational! Looking forward to seeing you at the June 16th meeting which will be held under the tent at Riverview Beach Park in Pennsville, NJ.

Membership Numbers:
As of mid-May, there are 96 individual memberships and 122 family memberships (counted as 2 each) for a total of 340 NJLHS 2018 Members.

Gift Memberships:
Not sure what to give that person who has everything? How about a membership to NJLHS? You can find an application on the NJLHS web site (www.njlhs.org) and print one out. You can also get one from the Membership Team at the next membership meeting. The membership packet will be mailed to the recipient, with a personal note saying that their membership to the Society is a gift from you. Let’s get our numbers up!

New Members:
The following members have joined our Society since the last issue of THE BEAM in March. If you happen to meet any of these new members at a future meeting, please welcome them!

Noah D. Arce-Swearingen Lancaster, PA
Brian Sibiga Raritan, NJ

Note: To conserve funds for lighthouse preservation, membership cards will no longer be automatically mailed out. 2018 cards can be picked up at the Membership Table during quarterly meetings or requested by e-mailing: membership@njlhs.org.

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

Robert J. Rodgers - Director

So far this year the NJLHS Educational Outreach has made presentations at:

Temple Shalom (Aberdeen),
Society for Education of American Sailors (Nyack, NY)
Apshawa School (West Milford, NJ).

Upcoming presentations are scheduled for: East Brunswick Public Library, Clifton Public Library, Little Silver Public Library, Sayreville Public Library, and Fairlawn Senior Center.

If you belong to a group who is looking for a speaker or program, contact us: speakersbureau@njlhs.org
COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENTS
Kathy Lanzim - Community Outreach Chair

We will again be participating in some outreach events this year...getting the word out about the New Jersey Lighthouse Society. A few of the events we usually attend have been canceled for this year, so we are adding some events in the Southern part of the state, where we haven’t been before. We will need volunteers to help staff our display table, sell ways and means items, represent the Society, and interact with visitors. Although most of the events are outdoor activities, we have a pop-up tent so you won’t be sitting in the direct sun! We would like to have at least 2 people at all times, so you can visit the event yourself, get something to eat, etc. The more volunteers we get for each event, the less time you will have to sit at the table! The following events are tentatively scheduled...if we do not get enough volunteers, we will not be able to participate. If you cannot attend for the entire event, please list what time you would be available. Set-up for these events is usually 1 to 2 hours before the start time, so participants can park close to unload their car. Please consider helping us out...why not bring a friend or family member to “work” with you?

Contact Communityoutreach@njlhs.org with your name, phone number, which event, & time you are available for that event.

- Sunday, June 10, 2018 – 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM – “Burlington County Earth Fair” at Smithville Park, Mt. Holly.
- Saturday, September 1, 2018 – 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM – “Ocean County Historical Society’s Olde Time Antique and Collectible Faire” at the Ocean County Parking Garage, Toms River (Labor Day weekend).
- Sunday, September 9, 2018 – 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM – “Friends of Island Beach State Park Beach Plum Festival” at Island Beach State Park.
- Saturday, September 29 AND Sunday, September 30, 2018 – 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM – “Ocean County Decoy and Bayman’s Festival” at Tip Seaman Park in Tuckerton (across from the Tuckerton Seaport).

Outreach at Point Pleasant Earth Day

Our first outreach event for 2018 was the Point Pleasant Earth Day celebration on Saturday, April 21, from noon to 4. It was held at Riverfront Park in Point Pleasant, along the Manasquan River. While most of the spring was rainy and cold, the weather that day was beautiful – sunny, comfortably warm, and breezy. There was a nice crowd, and we had a steady stream of visitors to our booth. We sold some of our merchandise, and distributed a lot of information about membership in NJLHS, the dates for the upcoming Lighthouse Challenge, and copies of past issues of the Beam. We still had some of our keychain flashlights that we used as handouts. Our display of NJ lighthouse miniatures always attracts a crowd, and this day was no different.

This was our display at the Earth Day Fair.
It was the first time we used our new table cover – now everyone knows who we are!
2019 CALENDAR PHOTO CONTEST FINALISTS

NEW JERSEY

Back row
Howard Wright
Robert Rodgers
Linda Swearingen
Hugh Murphy, Jr
Michael Mc Gowan
Howard Holsinger
Winnie Mc Kelvey

Front row
Rebecca Mercuri
Allison Rodgers

EAST COAST

Mike Boucher      James Cope      David Rodgers (2)
Hugh Murphy, Jr   Michael Mc Gowan  Winnie Mc Kelvey
2019 CALENDAR PHOTO CONTEST FINALISTS

WEST COAST - INCLUDING ALASKA & HAWAII

Mike Boucher
James Cope
Robert Rodgers
Judy Boucher
David Rodgers
Bill Mc Kelvey

GREAT LAKES

Mike Boucher   Winnie Mc Kelvey   Apryl Roach
Allison Rodgers Faith Giamboi (2)   Bill Mc Kelvey

GULF OF MEXICO & NON-U.S. LIGHTS (INCLUDING FL. KEYS)

Robert Rodgers   Nancy Swirsky   Mike Boucher (2)   Eugene Goch   Winnie Mc Kelvey
UNUSUAL LIGHTHOUSES IN THE CAROLINAS

Article and Photos by Robert J. Rodgers

This spring my wife and I vacationed in the Charleston/Myrtle Beach area of the Carolinas. Yes, of course, we visited lighthouses in the area – two that had unusual, interesting attributes. One was the Charleston Light, marking the north side of the Charleston Harbor. The other was the Cape Lookout Lighthouse, marking the southern point of the Outer Banks.

The Charleston Light (also known as Sullivan’s Island Lighthouse) has a three-sided “tower” with a square structure (lantern room) sitting on top of the triangular tower. But what makes it even more unusual is that it has an elevator instead of the usual spiral stairway – and air conditioning. (That’s enough to make all those lightkeepers that had to carry fuel to the top of lighthouses very jealous.) Since it was built in 1962 to replace an older lighthouse, this may have something to do with it – it was the last lighthouse built by the federal government. It is inside an active Coast Guard Station – so, no, we did not get to ride the elevator to the top. It is 140 feet tall – located on Sullivan’s Island – near Fort Moultrie. It is the only lighthouse in the US with an elevator and air conditioning.

The Cape Lookout Lighthouse is quite well known – it is the one with the diagonal checkerboard pattern (sometimes referred to as a diamond pattern) and is the fifth tallest lighthouse in the US (163 feet tall). It looks quite “usual” – a tall tower with a detached keeper’s house. But, look carefully at the two pictures. In one, black is the dominate color – and, in the other, white is the dominate color. The black dominate colored sides mark north/south and the white dominate sides mark west/east. If you are at sea and you see the more black than white, you are heading toward trouble. The more white you see, the better chance you have of avoiding the dangerous shoals that the lighthouse is warning you of. You can reach the island only by ferry. The ferry from Harkers Island passes by Shakleford Banks – home of wild ponies.
We also saw a third lighthouse, the Morris Island Lighthouse. It seems to simply be a water bound 161 foot tower that marks the south side of the Charleston harbor. The first version of the lighthouse was destroyed during the Revolutionary War, and the second during the Civil War. It was also interesting because of the quarter mile long walkway that ends at a beach with a nice view of the lighthouse (with the Charleston Light in the distance) – with “graffiti art” along the walkway and on the beach.

However, it was the lighthouse with an elevator and air conditioning, and the lighthouse with a guiding/direction-indication pattern that made this a most memorable lighthouse viewing experience. Truly, “unusual” and unique attributes!!
NATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE DAY
August 7th

ABSECON LIGHTHOUSE
August 7th - Kids 11 & under Climb Free!
AC's "LIGHTHOUSE DISTRICT" Fun Challenge Steel
Pier, Absecon Lighthouse, AC Aquarium & Back Bay
'Cruisin, Followed by LIVE JAZZ & Wine Tasting at
the lighthouse. Ticket price TBD.

BARNEGAT LIGHTHOUSE
August 7th - 10:00 AM-4:00 PM
Special activities for children
Sponsor: Friends of Barnegat Lighthouse State Park

CAPE MAY LIGHTHOUSE
August 7th - 9:00 AM-2:00 PM
Celebrate National Lighthouse Day at the Cape May
Lighthouse! Make your own crafts, listen to songs
of the sea, meet the lighthouse keepers, shop for
nautical merchandise and more, all on the grounds
of the Cape May Lighthouse. Free admission to the
grounds and activities; cost to climb.

EAST POINT LIGHTHOUSE
August 7th - Open 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

FINN'S POINT LIGHTHOUSE
Will Celebrate National Lighthouse Day
on Sunday, August 5th - 1:00 PM-4:00 PM

NAVESINK TWIN LIGHTS
Will Celebrate National Lighthouse Day
on Sunday, August 5th - 12:00 PM-4:00 PM

SANDY HOOK LIGHTHOUSE
August 7th - Open 12:00 PM-4:00 PM

SEA GIRT LIGHTHOUSE
Will Celebrate National Lighthouse Day
on Sunday, August 5th - 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

TUCKER'S ISLAND LH @ TUCKERTON SEAPORT
Will Celebrate National Lighthouse Day
on Sunday, August 5th - 12:00 PM-4:00 PM

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RECIPE CORNER

German Potato Salad
Betty J. Smith  (from the NJLHS cookbook)

2 lbs red skin potatoes, cooked
2 small onions, chopped
1 tsp celery seed
½ lb. Bacon (chop raw, then fry),
--reserve 2 T bacon grease
1 T flour     2 T sugar (3 if needed)
1 tsp. Salt   ⅛ tsp. Pepper
¼ cup water   1⅓ cup vinegar

Slice or dice potatoes, quarter onions, then slice
thin (really thin). Add celery seed. Mix in bowl.
Add cooked bacon; mix gently.

SAUCE: In frying pan, combine bacon grease, flour,
sugar, salt, and pepper. In separate saucepan,
combine water and vinegar; bring
to a boil. Slowly and carefully add water and vinegar
to the sauce. Mix well. Pour over potatoes; mix well
with wooden spoon.

Make the day of serving.
Serve at room temperature.
Do not refrigerate.
Makes 6 servings.
SUMMER EVENTS

ABSECON LIGHTHOUSE

Father's Day - Dads Climb Free
Sunday, June 17

"By the Light of the Moon"
June 28, July 27, August 26
Open for nighttime climbs - last climb at 8:30 PM
$10 per person, includes snacks & beverages

Wacky Wednesdays at the Lighthouse
July 11, 18 & 25 - August 1, 8, 15
11:00 AM – 3:00 PM
The Salty Sea, Pirates & Mermaids, Fairy Tales,
Gifts of The Garden, Superheroes & Villains,
Dinosaurs, and Outer Space. Included with
Regular Admission. Themes change weekly

BARNEGAT LIGHTHOUSE

Campfire, Concert, & Lighthouse Night Climb
June 23, 7:00-9:30 PM,
Night Climb ends at 9:00 PM

Lighthouse Night Climb & Concert
July 28 & August 25, 7:00-9:00 PM

CAPE MAY LIGHTHOUSE

Lighthouse Full Moon Climb
June 28; July 27; August 26
8:00pm-10:00pm

Family Fun Days at the Lighthouse
Wednesdays: July 11 & 18 and Aug. 1, 8, 15 & 22
9:00am-2:00pm
Enjoy kid-friendly activities, performers, entertainment and
unique crafts vendors.

CAPE MAY LIGHTHOUSE

Lighthouse Storytime
Saturdays, May 26-September 1: 12:30pm
Bring your young children to the Education Center
in Cape May Point State Park (adjacent to the
Cape May Lighthouse) to listen to nautical tales
and lighthouse adventure stories. Free admission.

The Keeper's On Duty
Saturdays, May 26-September 1: 1:15pm
What's it like to be a Lighthouse Keeper? If you'd
like the answer to this question and others, join us
at the Education Center at Cape May Point State
Park. The Keeper of the Cape May Lighthouse
presents an informative and entertaining half
hour talk on the history and lore of the famous
1859 Cape May Lighthouse. Suited for everyone
from children to lighthouse buffs, it's the perfect
introduction to your lighthouse climb! Free
admission.

Christmas in July
July 25: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
Join Santa at the Cape May Lighthouse, Cape May
Point State Park, along with food, music, vendors
and family-friendly activities. KIDS CLIMB THE
LIGHTHOUSE FREE!

EAST POINT LIGHTHOUSE

Summer Schedule
Open every weekend July
through September.
Saturday & Sunday,
1:00 PM-4:00 PM
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NJLHS General Membership
Meetings 2018

September 15
December 8

Lighthouse Challenge of NJ
October 20-21, 2018

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www.njlhs.org

DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER BEAM IS AUGUST 10, 2018